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WHEREAS, we, Jack V. Henderson and Gregory A. Brower, have invented certain new and useful improvements in a door assembly for a sport utility or similar vehicle for which an application for United States Letters Patent entitled DOOR ASSEMBLY FOR A SPORT UTILITY OR SIMILAR VEHICLE was executed concurrently herewith by us, which application can be further identified by Dorr, Carson, Sloan, Birney & Kramer, P.C. Docket No. 2060/91; and,

WHEREAS, Bestop, Inc., a Delaware corporation, with a place of business at 2100 West Midway Boulevard, Broomfield, Colorado 80020, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention and in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) paid to us, the receipt thereof is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, we do sell, assign, and transfer to Bestop, Inc., its successors, legal representatives, and assigns all right, title and interest in and to said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and in all provisional, nonprovisional, regular, division, continuation, continuation-in-part, substitution, reexamination, reissue, and any other extension applications thereof and all Letters Patent that may issue thereon.

We hereby authorize and request the Patent and Trademark Office officials in the United States and any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patents when granted to Bestop, Inc. as the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in and to the same, for the use and enjoyment of Bestop, Inc., its successors, legal representatives, and assigns.

Further, we agree that we will communicate to Bestop, Inc., or its representatives all facts known to us in regard to said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all provisional, nonprovisional, regular, division, continuation, continuation-in-part, substitution, reissue,

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We hereby covenant that we have full right to convey the rights, titles, and interests assigned herein and that we have not executed and will not execute any agreement in conflict with this Assignment.

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Jack V. Henderson  
Jack V. Henderson

April 20, 2004  
Date

Gregory A. Brower  
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